# DISCLOSURE REPORT FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION PURSUANT TO INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTION 6103(p)(3)(C) FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1999

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#### INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to Internal Revenue Code section 6103(p)(3)(C), the Secretary of the Treasury shall, within 90 days after the close of each calendar year, furnish to the Joint Committee on Taxation for disclosure to the public a report which provides with respect to each Federal agency and certain other entities the number of: (1) requests for disclosure of returns and return information (as such terms are defined in section 6103(b)); (2) instances in which returns and return information were disclosed pursuant to such requests or otherwise; and (3) taxpayers whose returns, or return information with respect to whom, were disclosed pursuant to such requests. In addition, the report must describe the general purposes for which such requests were made.

The information in this document<sup>1</sup> was prepared by the Internal Revenue Service for calendar year 1999 and was received by the Joint Committee on Taxation on May 23, 2000, pursuant to section 6103(p)(3)(C).

Copies of reports covering prior calendar years are available and may be obtained by submitting a written request to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Taxation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This document may be cited as follows: Joint Committee on Taxation, *Disclosure Report for Public Inspection Pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section* 6103(p)(3)(C) for Calendar Year 1999 (JCX-54-00), May 26, 2000.

Disclosure Report for Public Inspection Pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 6103(p)(3)(C)

**Internal Revenue Service** 

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# CY 1999 Volume of Disclosures of Tax Returns and/or Return Information Required to be Accounted for Pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 6103(p)(3)(A), continued

## Calendar Year 1999 Volume of Disclosures of Tax Returns and/or Return Information Required to be Accounted for Pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 6103(p)(3)(A)

Disclosure To/For	IR Code Section 6103 Subsections		Number of Disclosures by Type	Total Number of Disclosures
States	(d)	*(1) **(2)	21,147,266,692 125,286	21,147,391,978
Congressional Committees and/or their agents including GAO Representatives	(f)	(1) (2)	137,441,114 2,158	137,444,272
Tax Checks	(c)	(2)	9,433	9,433
Department of Justice	(h)(3)(B)	(2)	48	48
Prospective Jurors	(h)(5)	(2)	1,179	1,179
Federal Agencies US Attorneys DEA FBI Other	(i)(1)	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)	45,040 4,863 4,800 2,661	55,374
Federal Agencies US Attorneys	(i)(2)	(2)	126	126
Federal Agencies FBI Labor ATF Other	(i)(3)	(2) (2) (2) (2)	25 08 21 18	72
General Accounting Office	(i)(7)	(1) (2)	162,417,853 2,558	162,420,411
Statistical Use Department of Commerce Bureau of Census Bureau of Economic Analysis	(j) (j)(1)(A) (j)(1)(B)	(1) (1)	956,058,959 20,617,743	976,676,702
Foreign Countries Tax Treaty Authority	(k)(4)	(1) (2)	186,756 4,654	191,410

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Disclosure To/For	IR Code Section 6103 Subsections		Number of Disclosures by Type	Total Number of Disclosures
Federal Agencies Department of Labor Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.	(1)(2)	(2) (2)	669 1,483	2,152
Federal Agencies	(1)(3)	(2)	64	64
Department of Treasury Employees	(l)(4)(A)	(2)	15	15
Child Support Enforcement Agencies	(1)(6)	(2)	4,062,479	4,062,479
Total: Tape Extracts		(1)	22,428,052,596	
Other Disclosures		(2)	203,119	
				22,428,255,715

<sup>\* (1)</sup> Tape Extracts B disclosures made from extracts of Master File tapes.

<sup>\*\*(2)</sup> Other Disclosures B disclosures made by furnishing transcripts of records, permitting inspection of records, furnishing photocopies of records, oral disclosures, and disclosures by means of correspondence without furnishing a copy of the record. Also, includes disclosures from locally automated files.

#### **Explanation of Internal Revenue Code Section 6103**

IR Code Section 6103	Purpose of Disclosure of Returns and Return Information
(c)	Disclosure to the designee of the taxpayer.
(d)	Disclosure to State tax officials having responsibility for administering State tax laws.
(e)	Disclosure to Committees of Congress or their agents.
(h)(3)(B)	Disclosure for tax administration purposes upon written request from Department of Justice.
(h)(5)	Disclosure as to whether prospective jurors in judicial tax proceedings have or have not been the subject of any tax investigation.
(i)(1)	Disclosure to Federal officers or employees upon the grant of an ex parte order by a Federal district court judge or magistrate for use in non-tax criminal investigations.
(i)(2)	Disclosure to Federal officers or employees for use in non-tax criminal investigations, upon request by the head of the agency or Inspector General thereof (or designated officials of the Department of Justice).
(i)(3)	Disclosure to apprise Federal agencies of possible criminal activities or emergency situations.
(i)(5)	Disclosure to Federal agency to locate fugitive from justice.
(i)(7)	Disclosure to the General Accounting Office for making audits of the Internal Revenue Service.
(j)(1)(A)	Disclosure to the Bureau of the Census for activities authorized by law.

#### **Explanation of Internal Revenue Code Section 6103, continued**

IR Code Section 6103	Purpose of Disclosure of Returns and Return Information
(j)(1)(B)	Disclosure to the Department of Commerce for statistical use by the Bureau of Economic Analysis in activities authorized by law.
(k)(4)	Disclosure to competent authority of a foreign government which has an income tax convention with the United States.
(1)(2)	Disclosure to the Department of Labor and Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation for administration of Titles I and IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.
(1)(3)	Disclosure of tax delinquent account indicator to Federal agencies to determine credit worthiness of a Federal loan applicant.
(l)(4)(A)	Disclosure for use in personnel or claimant representative matters by employees of the Department of the Treasury, practitioners, or their representatives involved in such actions.
(1)(6)	Disclosure to Federal, State, and local child support enforcement agencies for use in establishing and collecting child support obligations from, and locating, individuals owing such obligations.